

I find it impossible to believe that there is any underlying "greater good" in limiting local content to certain radio stations. As a listener of a variety of formats (local and satellite) I find it important that my sources of information are not limited due to provincial concerns. The important idea is that as a listener (and citizen) I have rights to access regardless of the source. The mere fact that satellite radio is able to allocate bandwidth for local traffic and weather for "anytime access" is a testament to their technological edge and they should not be restricted from using that advantage. If local radio was more attentive to its populace rather than fighting over ratings share, they might be better equipped to combat this challenge. More importantly, the suggestion of local content is being "protected" by local stations, one only needs to listen to the homogenized, "me-too" formats which only serve to cater to that glorious "desired ratings demographic"..i.e 12-21 years old. The community is certainly not served in this market. My community no longer has a dedicated classical musical channel because it served better to offer a "dance-mix" station instead. Why? For mere profit only. This is an example of community mindedness? I think not. PS-I don't even listen to classical music but I think it is shameful that a metropolitan area has no room in the frequency spectrum for diverse community and musical content.